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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 1915.

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TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

FIERCE FIGHTING IN FRANCE.

ENEMY TROOPS SMOOTHERED BY HEAVY GUNS.

German Pirates Demand Money;
French Flag Torn to Pieces.

FURTHER THREATS REGARDING BRITISH PRISONERS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

French Aeroplanes Drop Bombs at Vigneulles.

April 14, 12.55 a.m.
A Paris evening communiqué says:—The day has been quiet along the whole front. We consolidated positions won at various points last week.

Our aeroplanes have successfully bombarded military sheds at Vigneulles, and have scattered a marching battalion.

New Treasury Bills.

April 13, 10.15 p.m.
Tenders for fifteen millions six months Treasury Bills totalled \$44,316,000 the average rate being £3. 14. 4. Tenders at £88. 2. 4 were allotted at 64 per cent.

French Bombard Important Turkish Camp.

April 13, 10.15 p.m.
A Paris communiqué states that the battleship Saint Louis with the aid of seaplanes bombarded an important Turkish camp in the neighbourhood of Gaza.

The Capture of the Village of Gussainville.

April 13, 1.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the details are published concerning the capture of the village of Gussainville, between the Meuse and the Moselle.

On the afternoon of the 4th inst., without warning, the French artillery opened with a terrific fire on the enemy's positions in and around the hamlet. A company of infantry in two successive bounds drove the Germans from their trenches into the village, and another company vigorously attacked the German bank, which reached the middle of the village. An anxious moment followed when the German reserve company came to the assistance of the detachment, surrounded in the village, and attempted an enveloping movement. The enemy in the houses resisted desperately and it was imperative to finish them before fresh reinforcements arrived. An officer at the head of thirty men led the assault, but they were twice obliged to throw themselves flat on the ground to avoid the murderous hail of bullets from the quickfiring. Before in a magnificent spurt the French had captured the first house, and, encouraged by this success, other sections were brought up and completed the work of capturing the houses, by furious hand-to-hand struggles. By nightfall the whole village was captured.

The Warfarer.

April 13, 4.45 p.m.
The Wayfarer has been docked at Queenstown.

April 13, 4.45 p.m.
Field Marshal Sir John French in his bulletin says that the situation is unchanged. The British did some successful mine-work in the region of Armentières where the enemy's attempts proved abortive.

Crew Rows Two Hours in Heavy Seas.

April 13, 4.45 p.m.
The crew of the Wayfarer state that they had just dined and were a hundred miles off the Scillys when a terrible explosion occurred in the hold. All the boats were speedily launched. The crew rowed for two hours in heavy seas.

The Pope's Plea Premature.

April 13, 4.35 p.m.
Reuter states that the American press considers the Pope's plea for peace premature.

German Piracy.

April 13, 1.45 p.m.
The crew of the Frederic Franck, who have arrived at Plymouth, state that the commander of the German submarine U24, when he boarded the Frederic Franck, demanded money and on being refused ransacked the vessel seizing the provisions. He examined and threw into the sea the ship's papers, hauled down the French flag and tore it into pieces. He then fixed three bombs and departed. Only two of the bombs exploded.

TO-DAY'S LATEST WAR TELEGRAMS.

Another Trench Taken By the Allies.

April 13, 4.40 p.m.
According to a Paris communiqué there has been some canonnading between the sea and the Aisne. We captured a trench to the east of Berry au Bac.

Mine warfare continued in the Argonne region, but the day has been comparatively quiet.

Between the Meuse and the Moselle we came in contact, at several points, with the enemy's entanglements.

Graphic Account by Eyewitness.

April 13, 1.20 p.m.
According to a Paris official message "Eyewitness" describes a German attempt to recapture a redoubt at Beausejour. After a violent bombardment, our look-outs reported a massing of the Germans. Soon our machine-guns were sweeping the attacking force, which was composed of volunteers from all the German regiments on this front.

Our artillery also immediately came into action. A few Germans regained their own trenches. In another attack the Germans lost most heavily, but got a footing in an advance trench.

The French immediately counter-attacked, and the enemy held the trench all night with difficulty. Nevertheless fresh German rushes were broken by artillery and rifle fire.

The Germans had crushed four hundred men into a narrow space. Our heavy guns smothered them, the infantry charged, and only ten of the Germans escaped.

Our losses throughout were of the smallest.

This German failure will complete the demoralisation of troops already convinced of our superiority.

Submarine Prisoners; German Indignation.

April 13, 4.5 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam says that the German note delivered to the American Ambassador expresses astonishment and indignation that Britain is not regarding submarine prisoners as honourable enemies. It says that these officers and men acted as brave men in the discharge of military duties and the German government will be compelled immediately to execute reprisals.

It adds:—We can only reject with loathing the insinuation that the German Navy in contrast with the British navy wilfully neglected to rescue shipwrecked sailors and requests the American Embassy in London, personally to enquire into the treatment of submarine prisoners.

Further proceedings against British officers who are provisionally placed under arrest depends upon the treatment of German prisoners.

Eloquent Speech by French War Minister.

April 13, 1.20 p.m.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that at the opening of the council, General M. Viviani in an eloquent speech said Germany was completely ignorant of the soul of France and was now suffering the punishment for her error. She thought to find the nation disunited and frivolous but found instead a wall of iron and heroic resistance against which she broke her best battalions. This wall was now moving and gradually pounding the Germans in a mortar.

France was prepared to add sacrifices to her sacrifices in order to achieve her end.

(Havas Telegram.)

April 12.
French Government Stock stands now at Fr. 72.50. North of Albert, during the night of the 11th, we repulsed a vigorous attack by the enemy.

Violent fighting has taken place in the region of Argonne, where we took 200 metres of trenches and destroyed a blockhouse. We took new trenches at Bois d'Ailly.

At Bois Lepetre our artillery and infantry fire repulsed a violent counter-attack by the enemy.

There is nothing to report to-day with the exception of an artillery duel and our capture of five machine guns.

In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on the Extra.]

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

German Captains Weep.

April 13, 5.5 a.m.

The Captain of the German auxiliary cruiser Kronprinz Wilhelm has denied that he obtained his guns before leaving New York on the 3rd of August and asserted that he took them from the British steamer Correctina, which the Kronprinz Wilhelm captured soon after she left New York.

The Captain has told a story of contention and privation. The crew lived almost entirely on rice much of which was soaked with sea water, hence the outbreak of beriberi which prevails chiefly amongst the prisoners.

WAR TELEGRAMS.

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NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

CONDENSED.

The American press considers the Pope's plea for peace premature.

The Captain paid a tribute to the bravery of the British steamer Chasshill, which was finally allowed to go after a long chase.

Four hundred men and women prisoners have been transferred from the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

The meeting of the Captains of the Pritz' Eitel and Kronprinz Wilhelm was emotional they embraced and wept copiously.

Bernstorff Again in Trouble.

April 13, 5.30 a.m.
There is a fresh outburst of American indignation against Count Bernstorff due to his publication of the German Note charging the American Government with non-neutrality without first consulting and receiving the permission of the State Department.

The fact that the Note was accompanied by an officially worded personal statement by Count Bernstorff justifying his action has increased the irritation.

The Vessel Sunk is the Coleby.

April 13, 5.20 a.m.
The owners announce that the steamer Coleby, not the Daleby, was sunk by the Kronprinz Wilhelm.

Glasgow Steamer Sunk.

April 12, 6 p.m.
The small Glasgow steamer President was sunk by a submarine off Eddystone on Saturday.

German Fire Ships Destroyed.

April 13, 12 p.m.
A Petrograd communiqué says: We captured prisoners and four machine guns in the region of Szwacki.

Eight inch howitzers restarted the bombardment of Osowice. The guns of the fort replied and seriously damaged a German battery. The Germans endeavoured to send fire-ships against the fortress but these were destroyed by gun fire.

Trench fighting is taking place elsewhere in Poland.

The Russian artillery has done successful work against the enemy's batteries. A German aeroplane has been captured.

Prospects in the Eastern Theatre.

April 13, 12.40 p.m.
The latest Petrograd communiqué has been carefully scrutinised by experts who interpret it as meaning that a great aggregation of Austrians and Germans from all quarters are making an intense endeavour to outflank the Russian left and compel the Russians to abandon their advance in the Carpathians by threatening to cut off their communications and overrun Galicia, where they have already advanced as far as Stryj.

On the other hand, if the Russians are able to defend their left adequately, a turning movement on their right will equally oblige the Austrians and Germans to beat a hasty retreat.

No Lives Lost.

April 13, 4.20 a.m.
No lives were lost in the torpedoing of the s.s. Wayfarer.

German's Retaliate on Our Prisoners.

April 13, 4.20 a.m.
It is announced in Berlin that thirty-nine British officers have been imprisoned in the military detention barracks as reprisal for the treatment of German submarine prisoners in England.

Sir Edward Grey Returns to Duty.

April 13, 4.20 a.m.
Sir Edward Grey has shortened his holiday and returned to the Foreign Office. Mr. Asquith, who has been relieving him, is the guest of the King at Windsor Castle.

"I Want to Pound the Enemy."

April 13, 4.20 a.m.
Lord Darham, speaking at Chester-le-Street, said he visited the British Headquarters in France recently when Field Marshal Sir John French, insisting on the need for munitions, said: "When the time comes to make the great move we can break through the German lines but we must have more munitions. I want to pound the enemy and to continue pounding him, regardless of expense, because thus we shall be saving the lives of our gallant men."

Casualties.

April 12, 8.50 a.m.
The latest casualty list mentions the following:

Died of wounds:—H. M. Hunter.

Wounded:—G. H. Anthony, R. H. Broome, 2nd Lieut. G. Clark (Leinster), J. M. Gray, Lieut. I. MacLean (Sherwood Foresters), H. Papilliar (H. Tocq (Gloucestershire), T. Whittington.

To-night's list comprises 690 men of whom 319 are killed. They chiefly belong to the East Lancs, the Rude Brigades, Grenadiers, Middlesexes, Gordons and King's Rifles.

Captain Pirce on Aeroplanes.

April 13, 12.40 p.m.
A message from Reuter's correspondent at Rotterdam reports that two German aeroplanes attacked the Cork steamer Serrla near the Noordhinder lightship.

The Captain of the Serrla, who is a good rifle shot, hit the aeroplane, which thereupon retreated to Zeebrugge.

The vessel was hardly damaged. A few bomb splinters were afterwards found on deck.

The Captain of the Serrla is convinced that the smaller of the two aeroplanes failed to reach the shore.

(Continued on page 6.)

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal—
"When Knights Were Bold"—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal—
"Rifles"—9.15 p.m.

Friday, April 10.

Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillips at the Theatre Royal—
"Nobody's Daughter"—9.15 p.m.

Sir Charles Elliot's lecture on
"The Eastern Theatres of the War," at the City Hall—5.15 p.m.

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GENERAL NEWS.

The New Lieut.-Governor of Burma.

We believe it is more than probable, says the *Rangoon Times*, that Sir Herbert Buller, our Lieutenant-Governor-elect will proceed home on leave during the summer, and that he will not take up his appointment in Burma until the autumn.

Street Accidents in London. Mr. McKenna, in a written reply to a question by Mr. Kellaway, says the total (fatal) fatalities which occurred during January and February of this year were 45 in each month, as compared with 29 and 40, respectively, in the corresponding months of last year.

Registration of British Companies in Shanghai.

An important new Order in Council, relating to the registration of British companies, has been issued by Sir Haviland de Saussarez at Shanghai. A number of interesting points are given.

New Britons. No fewer than 236 names appear on a list of aliens to whom naturalisation certificates have been granted, which was published in a recent issue of the *London Gazette*. The new subjects of the King include Germans, Austrians, Russians, Swedes, Dutch, Swiss, Roumanians, Americans, Norwegians and Greeks. Even Guatemala supplies a new subject. They include merchants, manufacturers, authors, barristers, porters, and waiters. Included in the list is one baron.

"Not a Monstrosity."

Mr. Harry Hulph, very much better known as Little Tich, who has been appearing in the King's Bench Division in the role of defendant in a breach of contract case, does not confine his wit to the stage. Some years ago the conductor of an "Answers to Correspondents" column in a weekly contemporary received an inquiry as to whether it was true that the comedian had six fingers on each hand. The journalist wrote to Little Tich to assure himself on the point before replying, and received a letter containing the dignified answer, quite in the Johnsonian manner, "Sir, I am an artist, not a monstrosity."

Village-Planning in Madras. Madras, which has made much progress in different ways, such, for instance, as in the great improvement of its port, in its water and drainage arrangements and so on, is now setting an example in another direction, viz., in village-planning. In this connection an important order has been issued by Government which deals with the rudiments of science as applied to areas which are likely in the next fifty years or so to develop into towns or be absorbed in existing towns. The order deals with the choice of healthy sites, laying out of roads and marking out and keeping available routes along which the roads of the future will run when the village or small town develops drainage and so forth. The action which Government are taking will tend in no small way to help municipalities down South. It is to be hoped the village-planning order will be copied in other parts of this country.

Military Moustaches.

Despite the quite remarkable demand for razors in the trenches, the question has been asked whether the war may not lead to a return of whiskers. The facial adoration of the military was a matter that gave Queen Victoria some concern, and in 1857 she wrote to the Duke of Cambridge to express the opinion that officers and men alike should be compelled to wear moustaches, without the option. It was not, however, until 1868 that the Army Regulations laid down the law on the subject. The *United Service Magazine* contains some words of advice to soldiers who may be ignorant of the etiquette of the matter. To be smart, says our contemporary, "it is necessary to be clean-shaven, or, if a moustache is worn, it should be kept trimmed, and not allowed to grow long or be waxed or oiled. The hair should be kept short, and not allowed to grow on the side of the face below the point where the top of the ear joins the cheek." There is about this counsel a reassuring air of finality that should silence all criticism.—*Globe*.

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trench, and at last the Kaiser's soldiers fell back to cover.

"Cold Steel."

The British held their line, but at terrific cost; scores lay dead, and there was scarcely an unwounded man in the whole long line of trench. The Welsh Regiment in the centre had suffered heavily. Reinforcements from the scant reserve behind the chateau were hurried into the trench, and then the German shellings commenced all over again. The day wore on, men fell left and right, and as yet there was no sign of the Worcester Regiment. Towards dusk the Germans could be seen massing for another attack, and the British troops prepared for a final stand; there were no more reserves, and if the Germans but persisted in their attack nothing could stop them.

The shelling redoubled in fury, and then came the second attack. The full fury was directed at the centre of the line, held by the Welsh Regiment. Horde upon horde of Germans pressed forward. Hundreds fell as they advanced, but where one fell two filled his place. Right up to the trench they came; right up and in. Then it was cold steel. The Welshmen fought stubbornly, dying rather than give ground, but weight of numbers told, and at night fell the enemy commanded the trench from the centre.

No quarter was given to the British. Savagely the Prussians stabbed about them. Bayonets were thrust into dead and living, and many an English soldier, but wounded by a Prussian bullet, was murdered by a Prussian bayonet.

On the left the Scots Guards still held their line and on the right the Queen's were at bay, and before the enemy could advance they had first to deal with these gallant remnants of gallant regiments. But now the Worcesters had arrived. An officer of the South Wales Borderers, the old 24th, which gained undying fame at Rorke's Drift, had at great risk to himself found and guided the Worcesters to the hard-fought field.

ENEMY'S LOST CHANCE.

The Englishmen were only three companies strong, but these scarce 500 men charged right through the shot-swept streets of Gheluvelt, right up to the lost trenches, almost into the heart of the German host; and the Germans turned and fled—fled when the odds at this moment were more than twenty to one in their favour, and fleeing lost for ever their chance of breaking through the lines.

And so the Germans charged. On they came without fuss and without flurry, only to be mown down in thousands by rifle and gun. One moment there was a solid advancing mass of Germans, and the next there was still a mass of Germans, but they were farther away, while between them and the British was a carpet of grey heaps. Again the Germans came on, climbing and stumbling over those grey heaps—those heaps which but a few moments before were the leaders of the advancing host. The carpet became thicker, but no living enemy reached that lead-spurting

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PARIS, MAR. 13.—The Matin's correspondent at Armentières, on the British successes at Neuve Chapelle, says:

"Since Sunday heavy artillery fire along the front from Ypres to Lille was engaged doubtless preparing the action in which large contingents of the English were taking part. The heavy British artillery did excellent work around Lille, where the enemy occupies the old forts. This work

is said to have been so effective that, if the persistent rumours which are in circulation may be believed, a great part of the German General Staff at Lille has already set out for Tournai, apparently indicating a withdrawal of the German troops.

The forces engaged at one spot and another in the fighting converged on Tuesday and Wednesday around Neuve Chapelle and Aubers.

The German losses were very heavy, for the British and Canadians fought with splendid courage. Their success obviously delighted them, for all the British faces were beaming, and the men returning from the front were singing gaily. The Germans left over 1,000 prisoners in the hands of the Allies, including several hundred officers. They were brought to Merville on Wednesday evening, and provisionally interned in vessels anchored in the Lys.

The officers appeared haughty and stiff, and were visibly doing their best to swagger. The men, who included elderly men and boys, appeared depressed and afforded a sorry sight with their uniforms all stained and torn. The British did not hide their certainty that the north would speedily be freed. The population follows with the greatest interest and lively sympathy the efforts of our allies. Our fellow-citizens who are still under the domination of Germany must tremble with joy when they hear the guns swelling in sound and violence, for they feel that our forces are approaching.—*Brussels Public Ledger*.

CHINESE AEROPLANES.

For the first time in the history

of the Chinese army, says the *N.O. Daily News*, aeroplanes were utilised in the sham fight which took place along the Yung-tung river recently. The 7th and 10th army divisions formed the opposing forces, each being equipped with two aeroplanes. One enterprising flying officer threw some "bombs" on the enemy's infantry and artillery which were well placed.

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THE WORKERS AND THE WAR

There can be no mistaking the ring of downright sincerity which characterizes the message addressed by shipbuilding and engineering Trade Unionists to Mr. Asquith, which was summarised in the telegrams which we printed yesterday. It was a plain-spoken and frank expression of a keen desire to render really practical service to the country at a time when she needs the help of all her sons. Those who drafted it, though they doubtless have their little grievances—which can well be left over for consideration until after the war—rightly gauged the situation when they stated in so many words that the present is no time either for speech-making or fault-finding, but for real, hard, practical work. And the assurance that they gave that they were eager to do their share must have reassured the leaders of the nation, if any such assurance were required, that the country stands as one man in its determination to see this business through to the very end.

The position of the workers of Britain has been made very plain of late. We have it on the authority both of Earl Kitchener and Sir John French that the termination of the war, for which we all wish, is really in their hands. The measure of their willingness to put their shoulders to the wheel at this juncture in the struggle will decide the length of the conflict, since all other considerations are dependent on an adequate supply of ammunition and military equipment, not only for ourselves, but also for the rest of the nations by whom we are fighting. For Great Britain to-day, is practically the armoury for the whole of the Allies. We already have a marked advantage over the enemy so far as the supply of munitions goes, but the big events which are pending make it an absolute necessity that that advantage should be largely increased. It is conceivable that the Germans might manage to ward off starvation by severe economies and prudent organisation—though the prospects of their being able to do so are by no means bright—but we know of no method by which they can make up their abundant shortage of ammunition of all sorts. And, obviously, battles cannot be won, or fortresses held, without ammunition. Immense reserves of ammunition are a necessity now, and it looks as though the enemy will soon be reduced to rather desperate straits for lack of such reserves. This is one of the things for which the Allies are still waiting in the west and which has to some extent impeded the Russians in the east. And once the brilliant feat now being so successfully attempted in the Dardanelles has been accomplished, Russia will receive military supplies that will enable her to advance without misgiving.

Enough has been written to indicate the importance and immensity of the task which lies before the British workman. It is his honour and privilege to play a leading role in the final stages of the war, and it is a part which we believe he will loyally discharge. "We want to pull together and get on with it." Tell Lord Kitchener we shall deliver the goods." Those are the sentiments and this the attitude voice of a section of the Trades Unionists. They may be taken as indicative of the feelings which animate the whole body of British workers at this vital moment in the history of the Empire.

G.B.S. and the War.

"Mr. Bernard Shaw is still, so it appears from the Home papers, carrying on his wind-bag campaign in connection with the war. To one possessed of his pure patriotism, it makes no difference that thousands of his fellow-countrymen, of every class, are giving their lives for the Empire, whether at sea or in the trenches; that fact is just as negligible, according to him, as that every sane person throughout the Empire, every unprejudiced one in neutral countries, and a very large number even of Germans, Austrians and Turks are convinced that the war was not of Britain's seeking. Even the fact that we have been taunted with our unpreparedness, and that France has been laughed at for her unwariness, by the Germans, does not convince him. Nothing can shake Mr. Shaw's belief in himself. Nothing can persuade him that it is possible for G. B. S. to be mistaken. This is not difficult to understand if our readers are aware that it was he who did more than any other Britisher towards popularising Nietzsche in England, ten years ago, when the orator was just beginning at home. He has proved himself a very worthy disciple. It is a case of like master like man; though Germany was luckier than England—for Nietzsche was clapped into a lunatic asylum.

Hard on Mr. Asquith.

One is bound to sympathise with the Premier over the absurdly unwarranted attack which G.B.S. makes on him personally. In a recent letter to the *Nation*, our infallible, impeccable and omniscient friend accuses Mr. Asquith, and the Ministry generally for that matter, of having "backed up the Entente with secret preparations." The writer of a letter to the *Globe* asks mildly how this can be, seeing that Lord Haldane reduced the army, that "Colonel Seely did next to nothing to improve the state of things," and that Mr. Asquith, during the time (from the end of March 1914 till the outbreak of war) that he was War Minister, did absolutely nothing, "despite his knowledge as to Germany's infamous proposals of 1912." To any moderately balanced mind it should be clear enough that neither Radical nor Conservative in any way anticipated the war. Like the fools that we are as a nation, we believed Germany to be a country that valued its honour. We know now that she did not value her honour, for the most obvious reason in the world—that she had none to value. As to Mr. Shaw, we hope that the Home press will cease to be a party to his fooleries by giving him the hospitality of its space. One knows that he plumes himself on his faculty for "log-pulling," and it is more than likely that, at bottom, he no more believes his own statements than our readers do. But is this time for buffoonery? The man who can indulge in such asinine amusement, while his brethren are giving up everything for the sake of the Old Country, should be put under restraint forthwith.

Against Needless Gloom.

The late Marquis of Londonderry, whose death we reported in our issue of February 9, added to his will a most interesting clause. He wished, he said, that his death should not be allowed to cast more gloom than was absolutely unavoidable upon those with whom he had been so long and so happily associated, and that his relations and kind friends would not allow his death to make any "difference" in their "arrangements and diversions." Of course it is vain to ask survivors not to grieve for the death of one dear to them, but the late peer's recommendation reminds us that it is almost time that civilised nations reduced the amount of external show of grief, which nothing but silly and more or less vulgar convention has imposed upon society. True, funerals are not the ghastly affairs which they were in our grandfathers' days, but there is still room for improvement—more particularly as concerns the horrible custom in vogue at home of keeping a corpse unburied for three, four, and even seven days. Sorrow that is absolutely sincere is too delicate a thing for one to be able to express by external means.

DAY BY DAY.

"THE MAN WHO DOES TOO MUCH LEAVES HIMSELF UNDERDONE."

The Weather.
Lower level 8 a.m. Temp. 79; dull.

At the Peak 8 a.m. Temp. 70; heavy fog.

Count the Columns.

Yesterday the Telegraph published 35 columns of solid reading matter. To-day there will be 34 published.

The Mails.

Australian Mail.—Due to-day per s.s. Hitachi Maru.

Siberian Mail.—Due per s.s. Luchow on Friday.

Australian Mail.—Closed to-day per s.s. Changsha.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Yokohama Maru to-morrow at 11 a.m.

Siberian Mail.—Closes per s.s. Liangchow to-morrow at 3 p.m.

Up to the Minute—Share Market News.

Closing prices:—

Kailans.—34/- sellers.

Laou Kung Mows.—Tls. 85 buyers.

Shanghai Cottons.—Tls. 80, buyers.

The Dollar.

The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is ls 9.13-16d.

To-day's Anniversary.

To-day is the fiftieth anniversary of the assassination of Abraham Lincoln, Sixteenth President of the United States.

Chinese Lady's Loss.

A report has been made to the Hunghom Police by a Chinese lady, that someone broke into her house and stole jewellery valued at \$310.50, clothing valued at \$131.00 and \$8 in money.

Books and Magazines Wanted.

The Camp Commandant Writes:—We shall be very glad to obtain any books, magazines or other reading matter suitable for the troops or interned men. Have you any for disposal that you could oblige us with.

Widow's Loss.

A Chinese widow, residing at 169, Hollywood Road, has complained to the police that yesterday morning some person stole from her house a basket containing twelve pieces of clothing, valued at \$14, one finger ring, valued at \$10, and ten dollars in money.

Boxing.

We are informed that there will be some interesting boxing "try-outs" at the V. R. C. this evening at 5.30, among those showing being the heavy-weight of the Shropshires, George Thomas, who it is hoped will be matched with Corporal Scott the well-known local pugilist.

Gambling and Fighting.

A dispute over a gambling transaction came before Mr. Wood in the Police Court this morning, when a Chinaman was charged with fighting in the street. The defendant was alleged to have started the complaint and to have made off. He fled to the country and only returned on Saturday last, when he was arrested. He was fined \$10.

Sentences on Kidnappers.

Yesterday Mr. D. W. Tratman, district officer sentenced two Chinese, who were brought before him yesterday on charges of detaining a man, illegally detaining a girl under fourteen years of age and with being in possession of arms. They were sent to prison for six months on each of the first two counts and to one year's hard labour on the last, the sentences to run consecutively.

Case Dismissed.

Cheung Tiu Sung the master of the steam launch Choy Sang, who was defended by Mr. Dixon, was charged by Mota Singh the watchman of the Tang Wo Co's Wharf, before Commander Basil Taylor, H. N. at the Marine Court this morning, with unlawfully lying alongside the above Company's Wharf, without the permission of the owner thereof, thus causing obstruction to the free access of other vessels thereto on the 5th inst. The case was dismissed.

NOTES ON THE CRISIS.

GETTING EACH OTHER'S MEASURE.

A Dignified Rebuke.

The eyewitness story and his deductions, arrived at after the expiration of a month from the battle of Neuve Chapelle are not only interesting and instructive but matters for congratulation. One never does well to trust to what prisoners tell their captors; there might be many reasons for their giving accounts flattering the people into whose hands they have fallen—for the purpose of ameliorating the conditions of their captivity,—but it is certainly permissible to accept the judgment of a man on the spot who speaks of the lessening of the German spirit of buoyancy which has been remarkably well maintained, despite the many reverses they have sustained since the war broke out. The battle of Neuve Chapelle may be looked upon as one of the larger attempts to break through the Allied lines. It was not the gambler's last throw—the time for that has not arrived, for Germany's condition is not yet so parlous that desperate tactics may yet be resorted to—but it was an attempt in which all available resources were utilized in the hope of effecting a fracture in the marvellous line that has been maintained so well for such a long period. It failed; the Germans obtained knowledge they wanted of the strength that the Allies had against them after the arrival of the British reinforcements; the Allies learnt the full weight of Germany's limit of strength. Both sides have now the measure of what the other is likely to be for some months to come and the depression of German spirits to any great extent, and the unusual activity behind their lines seem to show that they are preparing for the very worst.

The Workmen's Protest.

"We do not want more speeches about the failings of the workers, the employers or the Government." A more dignified protest against the callings of the armchair critics could not be well conceived. The British

nation is a mass of incongruities; when it is not increasing its chest measurement with the exaggerated sense of conscious merit it is beating the same organ and uttering plaints of *mea culpa*, and ever since this war commenced the British have found something in his national conduct to complain about. Now we have it from the workers that they are tired of being insulted to the extent of being repeatedly told that they are drunken and dissolute and by very reason of those failings the Empire is in a dreadful position. The workmen of England—from whose rank, after all, the majority of our fighters have sprung, and who are responsible for the fulfilment of his orders to command.

The best course for the Government here to pursue would surely be to mint a dollar of its own, of the same fineness as the British dollar, and to enact that, after a certain interval,

the notes issued by the banks here would be redeemable in that dollar only. If the banks were averse to this arrangement, the Government could then undertake the issue of its own notes for circulation in the Colony. As the

failure to turn out the quantities of munitions required must necessarily be because of their private failings. The sooner Britain ceases beating her breast and gets to the bench the better for her and the whole world.

After all the British workman is no more drunken than his German enemy and we have heard nothing of such complaints being made in Germany.

The nations of the world must necessarily have a poor opinion of us when we don't even think much of ourselves.

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HONGKONG CURRENCY.

THE HARD DOLLAR AND DISCOUNT.

Further Remarks on our Coinage System.

(SPECIAL ARTICLE)

We have said, in the two preceding articles dealing with the vexed question of the currency, that the Colony's money system is nothing but a maze and a puzzle to the ordinary resident, and matter for supreme wonderment to the passing tourist. That tourist generally leaves the port

feeling that he has a grievance against the banks and the Government, and that his only friend here was the kind-hearted money-changer who gave him eleven ten cent pieces in exchange for a paper dollar. What puzzles him most of all—and puzzles most of the regular residents as well, for that matter—is that the dollar should be at a heavy discount as compared with the note which is issued against it, and for which it is held as security.

As a rule the general public—rather thoughtlessly and erroneously—lays the blame on the banks. Yet a moment's reflection should show the unfairness of this.

The banks which issue notes here undertake to pay hard dollars for them if called upon to do so. For the dollar, which is not issued by them, they accept no responsibility; an attitude which would seem to be perfectly reasonable.

The Question of Discount.

As a matter of fact, the reason why the hard dollar is at a discount against the note is identical with the reason why subsidiary coinage is at a discount against the hard dollar.

There has been an over-issue of both kinds of coin, with the result that there are more of each in circulation than is sufficient for the requirements of the community. This

is the remedy for this state of affairs?

The very natural reply is:

"Reduce the number of hard dollars in circulation." But this is more easily said than done, for nobody seems so philanthropically inclined as to be ready to accept the responsibility.

We then, of course, ask: What is the remedy for this state of affairs?

The great portion of Kitchener's New Army is already in France completing its training on the spot, and daily large contingents are despatched over the Channel, together with very fine artillery and magnificent siege guns. The notable events of the past month are:

Turkey's failure in Egypt.

Attack on the Dardanelles.

The Submarine Blockade of Great Britain.

Reported Food Scarcity in Germany.

More friendly attitude of America towards Britain.

THE S.S. PAKLAT.

WILL SHE BE
CONDEMNED BY
THE PRIZE COURT?

The Question of Mission Ships
being Immune from Capture:

Sitting in Prize, at the Supreme Court, this morning, Sir William Rees Davies (Chief Justice), continued the hearing of the Crown application to have the s.s. Paklat condemned on the grounds of being an enemy ship, having taken part in war operations.

The application was made by the Attorney General (Mr. J. H. Kemp), and was opposed on behalf of the owners by Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Shenton, of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Hartson.

The Attorney General pointed out that the hearing had been adjourned, on the suggestion of the other side, to get the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown on the interpretation of the Hague Convention findings. This they had been unable to do, but they had been able to do better, and they now had an authoritative document which he thought disposed of the whole case and would save his Lordship the trouble of going into the other point that had been raised. The Court would remember that amongst the submissions he made at the original hearing was one concerning the conditions of immunity from capture. He would read the words of the article:

"Ships entrusted with scientific, religious or philanthropic missions are also free from seizure." (Article 2).

The provisions of this article, for which, as has been seen, the Italian Delegation is responsible, is in conformity with a practice one of the most renowned precedents of which was established by the Da La Perouse Expedition.

The consecration of the principle of immunity could hardly raise objections and was passed unanimously.

It did not seem necessary to recall in the wording (of the article) the conditions under which the privilege of the (said) immunity can be granted.

It is obvious that such a favour can only be granted under the condition that there is no immixtion in the war operations. In order to avoid all difficulties, the Power whose ship in question bears the colours, must refrain from "using her in any war service."

The favour granted to the said ship bestows upon her a sort of neutralisation which must last until the end of (all) hostilities and which must prevent her from having her destination altered.

Clearly that would make the case of the Paklat not immune from capture, as it had participated in the operations of war.

His Lordship:—That's a translation of the whole of the argument as to what took place at the time of the Convention?

The Attorney General: I—think it is the translation of the official report of the Committee.

His Lordship:—What do you say is the meaning—that it is altogether wholly irrespective of the operations of the war, and the fact that this ship carried—being an enemy vessel—these people at the time of the war for the purpose of interning them elsewhere, is not wholly irrespective of war?

The Attorney General:—That is the point—to have a favourable effect on the defences of the port.

His Lordship:—It may relate to something which might not be in any way mixed up with the war.

Mr. Potter said there were certain points which he had and which he considered, in fairness, he ought to put before his Lordship on that point. His Lordship would remember that it had been alleged, and indeed the allegation had not been contradicted, because probably the allegation was true, that the Paklat was bound for Tientsin, to be there interned and used as a house or residence for destitute refugees. It was also on the affidavit, that the ship left Tsingtao, or rather was advertised to leave Tsingtao, by proclamation, with the express purpose of conveying women and

WAR TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

An "Eye-Witness" Account.

April 12, 5.35 p.m.

"Eyewitness" at British Headquarters sends the following report:

Quiet, he says, continues on our front with the exception of artillery activity which is diversified by occasional mine explosions and bombs from aircraft, but no incidents worthy of special record are reported.

"Eyewitness" remarks that it is significant that, although a month has elapsed since the battle of Neuve Chapelle, the enemy has not ventured to retaliate. This does not mean that his resistance is collapsing but it is practically an admission of inability to avenge the defeat with the troops at their disposal.

Evidence is gradually transpiring that the general situation is beginning to create great anxiety to the Germans, who are sending away large numbers of the civil population behind their lines via Switzerland, some of whom have returned to France. They report that something like a panic prevailed at Lille, during the fighting at Neuve Chapelle. The large hospitals were all removed to Tournai and many officers billeted at Lille went to Tournai to spend the night. Both officers and men expressed uneasiness.

There is a marked change in the demeanour of the German troops since Christmas. Their confidence and buoyancy are gradually disappearing, while many soldiers have lately told French civilians that they realised they would be overpowered by the masses which England is about to place in the field. At the same time they tried to persuade the French that the English are bent on ruining France and grabbing everything for themselves.

"Eyewitness" comments on the German efforts to foster among the troops a spirit of hate against the British, although, he says, amongst the members of the Government official gang, the military party and the professional class this feeling needs no encouragement. Libels on our troops are officially circulated in order to engender fury against us, which, acting on natures inclined to brutality, finds vent in various acts of savagery.

children, no matter what nationality they were, from Tsingtao. His Lordship would find in the affidavit of the captain:

His Lordship:—That I have seen.

Mr. Potter said the nationality of the passengers was immaterial providing they were European. He thought that was the only distinction drawn.

His Lordship:—No Chinese.

Mr. Potter said that it was further stated on that affidavit that no payment was received from passengers and that in effect the ship was to be used as a means of transit additional to the railway already used—the Chinese railway running from Tsingtao to other parts of China. It was obvious that at such a time the railway service would probably be put out of joint or become disjoined and it was naturally desirable that refugees should have some other means of egress from Tsingtao.

He would ask his Lordship to note one point which was not in contest between the Crown and himself and that point was this:—at the time the Paklat left Tsingtao, there was no blockade of that port; they were agreed on that. There was no blockade of that port at all at the time.

His Lordship:—This is the first time this point has been raised.

Mr. Potter said that it only arose on a matter on those documents which had just been put in. Now what he was leading to was this—and he thought it would also be agreed by the Crown and he did not think it could very well be disputed, and it was, he thought covered by the judgment of Mr. Justice Gomperz in the Hanametsel case—if the condition of affairs existing at that time were, namely, in blockade of Tsingtao, it would have been open to any neutral vessel to proceed to the port of Tsingtao and to take therefrom, any people, be they German or any other nationality, and to convey them to any other port in the world they chose to. That was to say any people other than the armed forces of the German government, but the taking away yesterday, which was the earliest possible moment he could receive it—but if he thought that document was conclusive as to the position of that enemy ship, he could not give it very much because he only received it yesterday, which was the earliest possible moment he could receive it—but if he thought that document was conclusive as to the position of that enemy ship, he would not contend it was not.

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Last Year's Match with
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summed up last year's Hongkong
—Shanghai match:

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Credit for War Sufferers:
Paris, Feb. 5.—President Poincaré has signed a decree opening a credit of 300,000,000 francs to meet the most urgent needs of persons whose property has been destroyed as a result of the war.

TO-DAY'S
ADVERTISEMENTS.HONGKONG GYMKHANA
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THE FIRST GYMKHANA
MEETING of the Season will be held at Happy Valley on Saturday, the 17th April, 1915, commencing at 3.00 p.m.

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Hongkong, 14th April, 1915.

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Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Date
MARSEILLE AND LONDON, via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said	Yasaka Maru Capt. Yamawaki Miyasaki Maru Capt. Teranaka	THURS., 22nd Apr. at noon. THURS., 13th May, at noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE via Shai, Moji, Kobe, Yokkaichi, and Yokohama	Yokohama Maru Capt. Komatsu Sado Maru Capt. Asakawa	THURS., 15th Apr. at noon. TUES., 4th May, at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manilla, Thuring Island, Townsville and Brisbane	Nikko Maru Capt. R. Takeda Hitachi Maru Capt. Tominaga	SATUR., 17th April at 4 p.m. MON., 17th May at 11 a.m.
CALCUTTA via Spore, Penang & Rangoon	Hakata Maru Capt. Kawashima	SATUR., 17th April
BOMBAY via Singapore, Malacca and Colombo	Bombay Maru Capt. Kurosumi	MONDAY, 26th April.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & Yoko	Kawachi Maru Capt. Nakamura	FRIDAY, 23rd April.
KOBE & Yokohama	Colombo Maru Capt. T. Sakamoto	TUESDAY, 14th April.
NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama	Hitachi Maru Capt. T. Sato	THURS., 15th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, Kobe & Fushimi Maru and Yokohama	Fushimi Maru Capt. Qirizawa	TUES., 20th Apr. at 10 a.m.

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FOR EUROPE.

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Miyasaki "	16,	" 6th May
Kitano "	16,	" 20th May
Fushimi "	23,	" 3rd June
Hirano "	16,	" 17th June

FOR AMERICA.

Yokohama Maru	12.5 tons	Thursday 15th April
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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamers.	To Sail.
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SHANGHAI	Liang Chow	15th Apr. at 4 p.m.
HOI HOI & PAK HOI	Wen Chow	17th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Kan Chow	18th Apr. at 4 p.m.
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LOG BOOK.

Will not be proceeded with. While there is every reason to believe that the scheme of the Boston Harbour Board, in which the Cunard, White Star, and Hamburg-American Lines were financially interested, with a view to the construction of a big dry dock, will not under existing circumstances be proceeded with, it is understood that the plans of an equally large structure at New York are now being officially considered. It is to be made available as a dry dock when it is necessary to repair vessels, particularly those of large size, and when not so used, ships will be able to load or discharge cargo in it.—Exchange.

New P. and O. Steamer for Singapore.

On 4th ult. the launch took place at South Shields of a passenger and cargo steamer built to the order of the P. and O.S.N. Company for their local requirements at Singapore. The vessel is 220 ft. in length by 35 ft. beam by 22 ft. deep to the shade deck, and has been specially built and fitted for service in tropical waters. Accommodation for a limited number of passengers, together with a handsome saloon and bathrooms, are provided on the shade deck amidships. The crew are berthed forward and the natives in the shade deck aft. The machinery, which is of

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HAIPHONG.....	Lok sang	Thur., 15th Apr. at 10 a.m.
MANILA	Yuen sang*	Sat., 17th Apr. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI.....	Choy sangt	Sun., 18th Apr. at d'light
TIENTSIN via W'wei.....	Cheong shing "Tu's"	20th Apr. at d'light
SHANGHAI.....	Kwong sangt	Tues., 20th Apr. at d'light
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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

EXTRA

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14, 1915.

GIFTS FROM HONGKONG.

How They are Appreciated at Home.

The following letter has been received in answer to a parcel despatched in December last, containing 102 garments; amongst which were the winter costumes, etc., kindly given by Madame Flint.

118, Murray Street.

Hoxton, N.

March 6th.

Dear Lady May;

The second parcel has just arrived, bringing the things which you, and the ladies of Hongkong, have kindly placed at our disposal. Messrs. Stewart, Tomes have been so very thoughtful, unpacking the cases and sending the things to us in parcels; as our house here is so tiny. The things from the first case have been so much appreciated, the warm socks and things have gone to husbands of our women, either at the front at present, or home wounded or sick leave. One splendid fellow has been invalided home the second time for rheumatism—they were over forty-eight hours up to their waists in water in the trenches. The first time he was wounded in the foot, during the retreat from Mons, and was for over three days fighting and holding his ground, and then retreating had only a few apples to eat—though their knapsacks contained lots of food they did not have time to get at it. We have kept a good many of the warm petticoats and nightdresses for our sick women and children—they got such bad attacks of bronchitis and pneumonia.

Some of the bad-jackets we sent to the Chest Hospital as they were needing them, and it is a very poorly endowed hospital and they are so good taking in any of our people they can.

We also sent some of the flannel garments to the St. Joseph's Hospital—the Sisters help us all they can and are so good in looking after cases we can't get hold of any other way.

We also sent some of the smaller pairs of socks to the V.A.D. Hospital at Hurley, where they are nursing some of the men from the front and were in need of smaller socks than had been sent there.

A parcel of children's things we sent to Miss Douglas, of the Children's Aid Society, who has sent quite a number of our S. S. F. A. children away for several months at a time for a change. She was most grateful. I enclose a pamphlet. If there are any more children's things I am sure she would be most grateful for them. We are giving a number of men's things to Miss Tuckay, of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Help Society for the discharged and invalid soldiers—they are doing so much good in that way and any further men's things will be so useful to that Society, as there will, alas, be so many needing their care in these months to come.

The babies' things are a huge joy to us—there are too many "war babies" and they grow so quickly, we can always do with so many little garments and bonnets and caps and boots for them.

With kindest regards and very many thanks again to you and all the other ladies. I do wish you could come and see for yourselves the pleasure your gifts have given.

Yours sincerely,

H. LLOYD THOMAS.

Vice-President, S.S.F.A.,
Hongkong Branch.
The following is an extract from a letter from Sister Ignatius—St. Joseph's Hospice—to Miss Lloyd Thomas:

"Thank you very much for the parcel of lovely things—they

are real treasures. I have never had such good clothes to give away; it will be a treat for the people who will get them. They will be given to special deserving cases only."

The following is an extract from a letter from the Organising Secretary of the Ministering League, in answer to a parcel despatched on Nov. 25 last, containing 230 garments:

Dear Lady May:

Lady Meath is at San Remo and asked me to write directly to the things you all sent for the Belgians arrived. They have been unpacked and sent on and we were amazed at the quality of your kind gift."

DIPLOMACY.

Clover acting at the Theatre Royal.

In "Diplomacy," which is the English version of M. Sardon's "Dora," the author has constructed on the most limited foundation an extraordinary amount of dramatic incident, and so free from laboured by-incident and padding, that from the moment of making acquaintance with the characters to the expose interest is commanded. It might safely be said too, that there are few plays calling for such all-round merit in the players as "Diplomacy." It is more the rule than the exception to leave the story entirely dependent on the interpretation of two or three characters, in the hands of leaders. In "Diplomacy" the contrary is the case, even to the maid and the flunkey, there is originality. In the principal characters we have a taxing search for histrio-nic ability and at the Theatre Royal, last night we experienced it. To Messrs. Charles Howitt and A. Phillip's company we are indebted for an educating and refreshing presentation of the art of the stage. One striking feature was the interpretation of Count Orlon by Mr. Cyril Rawdon and Baron Stein by Mr. Carl Lawson. There are other parts that will live longer in the minds of most people, who witnessed the production last night, but perhaps it is a little problematical how many will appreciate the difficulty of speaking English in the faltering tones of the foreigner with the cleverness of these two aristos. The tendency to overdo is irresistible, but that they yielded to this force can not be said of Messrs. Rawdon and Lawson. It was perfection. As an actor too, Mr. Rawdon was convincing, and in the second act, where ability was not merely called for, but demanded, he performed after the fashion of better known men.

The story is simple. The jealousy of a woman leads her to the theft of a document of great importance to the State from Julian Beauchere (Mr. Jack Elsger), a young officer who has been appointed attaché at the British Embassy, Vienna, a man whom she has nursed from an illness and she has learnt to love. Though Baron Stein has other motives for the possession of the document, than mere jealousy, Countess Zicka, the thief, has as her prime motive an overwhelming desire to prevent Julian living happily with Dora, the daughter of the chronically penurious Marquise de Rio Zicke, who the young officer has just married. On the morning of the wedding she steals the document, clips it into a letter of apology for not sending an invitation to the wedding to Baron Stein, which happens to be in the handwriting of Dora, and must, when revealed, cause the suspicion that develops later. In the meantime, Zicka, who lives by giving information to Russia through Baron Stein, and at the same

MISSING COAL.

This afternoon, at the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood, the case was continued in which ten Chinese were charged with the theft of a quantity of coal from the Taikoo Docks.

Mr. Preston, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, prosecuted.

Mr. Dixon, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the first two defendants, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner for the third and fourth.

Dear Lady May:

Lady Meath is at San Remo and asked me to write directly to the things you all sent for the Belgians arrived. They have been unpacked and sent on and we were amazed at the quality of your kind gift."

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps Orders issued to-day by Lieut.-Col. A. Chapman, V. D., state:

Leave.—The undermentioned are granted leave of absence as follows:—Surgeon Lieut. J. T. Smalley from 18. 4. 15. to 18. 12. 15. Private A. J. Denys from 20. 4. 15. to 8. 6. 15. Private H. L. Denys from 20. 4. 15. to 8. 6. 15.

At Headquarters. Right Section M.G. Co. and Signalling Section:

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Detail.—On duty at Volunteer Headquarters until 7 a.m. on 17th inst. H. K. V. R.

Leave. Corp. Grimes, R. E., will attend, 5.10 p.m., Control Section M.G. Co., Table "C" M. G. Course at Kowloon Dock.

Launch leaves Statue Pier at 4.30 p.m. 5.15 p.m., No. 2 Section Artillery Battery, 10 pdr. Gun Drill with mules.

Weekly Reports.—The weekly state is required at the Orderly Room not later than 5 p.m. tomorrow, 15th instant.

Parades.—Parades for Thursday, 15th instant.—5.00 p.m., Civil Service Co., Table "U" M. G. Course on Kennedy Road

time maintains her liberty from Russian vengeance for a former wrong, steals a photo given by Orloff to Dora before he leaves for Russia, and which he next sees when arrested on his estate in Russia. The photo is sent to Stein almost at the same time as Orloff departs; immediately he is freed from incarceration in Russia; Orloff, not knowing that Julian has married Dora, denounces her and her mother as foreign spies. His extrication from this difficult position called for the clever acting previously referred to. On top of this through the ingenuity of the senior brother of Julian Henry Beauchere (Mr. Charles Howitt), the letter containing the document is regained for Stein, the latter not being aware of its contents and neither Julian nor Henry knowing that it is enclosed in a letter written by Dora. Through the diplomacy of Henry the Countess Zicka is led into a trap of confession, and the bride, married and accused of being a spy on her husband, all in one day, breathes the air of accepted innocence, while Zicka, who has received more kicks from the world than caresses, accepts one more weight to the many that are crushing her miserable soul. As "Zica," Miss Gertrude F. Gocart was brilliant, and truly reflected the greatness of a Mrs. Patrick Campbell without forgetting the part to play the pattern, Charles Howitt as the wise brother and diplomatist displayed unquestionable ability, while the other characters were sustained with a thoroughness that is seldom met with.

To-night "When knights were bold," will be staged. The band of the 18th Infantry played last night, the band of the 7th Punjab playing elsewhere.

A PAINFUL ECHO.

HONGKONG RESIDENTS' AWFUL FATE.

Last Mr. and Mrs. Graham's Estate.

In the Supreme Court, this afternoon, before Sir William Rees Davies (Chief Justice) the case was continued in which ten Chinese were charged with the theft of a quantity of coal from the Taikoo Docks.

Counsel said this was an application for administration of the goods and estate of Elizabeth Graham, deceased, and the application was made under section 33 of the Probate, Ordnance.

Under that section—2 of 1897—his Lordship had full power to appoint some person to administer the estate. Very general powers were vested in the Court.

In this case there were affidavits setting out the main facts. Elizabeth Graham, (Mrs. Douglas Graham) was a passenger with her husband, Mr. Douglas Graham, on the ill-fated steamer Empress of Ireland, in the spring of last year. As his Lordship would perhaps remember, there was a disastrous collision between the Empress of Ireland and a collier in the St. Lawrence River in Canada and as a result of that collision both Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Graham lost their lives.

In connection with the actual cause of death, his Lordship would find on the file an affidavit from

Montreal, and the person who filed that affidavit took much trouble in connection with the identification of Mrs. Graham which was somewhat difficult. Her face and head had been bruised considerably, as well as her arms and parts of her body—to such an extent that identification was much more difficult than in the case of Mr. Graham. There was one wound on her temple, as if she were struck by a heavy piece of tackle and the affidavit said—"I believe she was killed and not drowned, because her body showed no signs of swelling." Therefore his Lordship

would see from that statement that it did appear that Mrs. Graham's death was caused by some heavy blow from

heavy tackle, which considerably injured her about the face and head and also about the body. With regard to Mr. Graham, he had no bruises whatever, but his body was swollen, the usual result of death by drowning.

His Lordship:—The point is whether the wife pre-deceased her husband?

Mr. Pollock said that was so and on that point they submitted to his Lordship—although it did not affect his Lordship's power to grant administration in the present case, and they were asking his

Lordship to do what he had power to do—that was to say, if he would consider it reasonable on that evidence, to declare that Mr. Graham survived his wife.

They submitted to his Lordship that this was purely a question of fact and, on that affidavit, he might put it, that it was a practical certainty that Mr. Graham met her death by a heavy blow from some tackle connected with the ship and that Mr. Graham

was not injured in his body at all, but subsequently was drowned.

The law was put very clearly in the Encyclopedia of the Laws of England Volume 2, page 380.

Counsel prayed that the administration be granted Mr. Frank Graham, who was one of the

LAWN TENNIS.

Last Evening's Tournament Games.

HONGKONG'S GERMAN CONSUL.

Influencing Chinese Opinion.

The following are the results of last evening's play in the Hongkong C.C. Tennis Tournament—Championship Singles, first round:—Ng Sze Kwong beat O. R. Hamilton, 6—2, 6—3, 4—6, 6—3.

Mixed Doubles Handicap, first round:—Mrs. Maxon and R. Hancock (owe 30), beat Miss Bird and Dr. Cook (rec. 15/2), 3—6, 6—3, 6—3.

Handicap Doubles, first round:

—Wodehouse and Worcester (rec. 4/3), beat Ford and Kent (owe

4/3), 6—4, 4—6, 6—4.

Handicap Singles, "B" class, first round:—Viveash (owe 2/6), defeated J. R. Wood (owe 2/6), 3—6, 6—2, 6—2.

Cocks (rec. 15/1), beat Murray Bain (rec. 15), 4—6, 6—2, 6—2.

Hatchison (rec. 2/6), defeated Hewitt (owe 10/3), 3—6, 6—3, 6—4.

Handicap Singles, "A" class, first round:—Linton (owe 3/0), beat Brayshay (owe 1/6), 6—3, 8—6.

Loyal India.

Calcutta, March 12.—At a mass meeting of students held in Calcutta to-day a representative committee was formed with the view of creating healthy public opinion among students. Mr. Surendranath Banerjee, addressing the meeting, said that the war held out new prospects for the country. Europeans would learn to respect India. Quoting from speeches delivered by British statesmen, he declared that they intended to include India in the federation of the British Empire when the war was over. Anarchy would destroy their prospects, and evolution, not revolution, should be their motto. Speeches were made condemning anarchical tendencies.

executors named in the will of Mr. Graham.

His Lordship:—She died intestate?

Mr. Pollock said Mrs. Graham did die intestate—as far as was known there was no next-of-kin at all. Mr. Frank Graham was one of the executors—in fact the only one in the Colony. The leasehold property would come under the will of Mr. Graham if she died intestate. There was a house on the Peak which Mr. Graham bought some years ago and put in the name of Mrs. Graham. The property, as a matter of fact, was bought out of Mr. Graham's own monies and he wished to make some provision for his wife and he made the gift to her of the house.

His Lordship said that in point of law what would be a gift?

Mr. Pollock said that was so. If Mr. Graham survived her, the leasehold would become part of his estate. The reason why they were asking for the administration in connection with the estate of Mrs. Graham, and not Mr. Graham, was because they had been waiting for the information they now had, that Mr. Graham survived his wife and for the Court to find that that was so.

His Lordship:—If I find he survived her it would come under his will?

Mr. Pollock:—Yes. His Lordship found that Mrs. Graham, pre-deceased, her husband and granted the administration subject to certain minor details to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Registrar.

GERMAN MOVE IN CHINA.

Attempt to Blow up Trans-Siberian Line.

Peking, Mar. 12.

Captain von Pappenheim, the German Military Attaché, in Peking, and eight Germans who escaped from Tsingtau left the city after procuring Chinese passports for a hunting expedition in the interior. The party has now been located between Bubaidu and Tsitishan, with twenty camels and a large supply of explosives. They are credited with the intention of blowing up Russian railway tunnels on the Siberian railway.

The Germans are heading towards Manchuria, and the Russians are endeavouring to capture them. Captain von Pappenheim offered a Chinese official 50,000 roubles for assistance.

another correspondent, and duly published in the *Peking and Tientsin Times*. The Chinese Foreign Office then sent Note to the German Legation expressing the hope that no further idle rumours calculated to injure China would be circulated by the Germans in Peking.

It would seem that the efforts have not been dissimilar in method to what has been done in the United States, and as in that case counter-agitation is likely to defeat its own purpose. In the States sufficient rope has been allowed to hang themselves, and subjects such as the attempt to inflame Western American and Canadian antipathies to Japan, and the Japanese, with a view to a Japanese-American war, have been so overdone that the palate refuses to receive them. The Chinese Press was largely brought under complete German influence, but the remarkable statements could scarcely be absorbed by the Chinese mind in the face of the rather speedy fall of Tsingtau. The Chinese had been misled to a considerable extent by the statements of German successes in the early stages of the war, but the downfall of Germany's stronghold, which had been expected to hold out for a much longer time, led them to wonder whether all the reports of victories were correct. As in the United States, you may deceive some of the people for a part of the time, but you cannot deceive all the people for all the time. What sentiment now remains is probably pro-German, because China is anti-Japan and Germany is against Japan. The way to counteract wrong statements is to give the actual facts, and if the British facts are given to the Chinese they will sift the wheat from the chaff as the Americans have done. It is no use resorting to methods that we do not consider come within the category of playing the game. If your opponent will not abide by the rules you will seldom score for long if you resort to the same practices. The Chinaman is a man of long memory, and he knows that the many opportunities that have been at the disposal of Great Britain to acquire Chinese territory since 1840 have only resulted in the alienation of Hongkong, a small island insignificant in Chinese eyes and used as an entrepot for trade, and not for aggressive purposes.

He contrasted this policy with the Kiao-chow policy. We must go on with our view, conscious that it is right, irrespective of what our enemy may do, and as regards China, you can leave the Chinaman to arrive at the correct mean.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

G. R.
PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 19th day of April, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land at Star Street, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at Crown Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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No. of Lot No.	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rent	Uprated Price	Location		Conte nt	Uprated Price
					feet	feet		
					As per plan	about	per set	per set
							1,165	1,165

NOTICES.

NOTICE.

We have this day authorised Mr. C. BERNARD BROWN to sign our firm for procuration. LINSTEAD & DAVIS. Hongkong, April 12th, 1915.

LECTURE IN AID OF THE PRINCE OF WALES' FUND.

Sir Charles Eliot, K.C.M.G., has kindly consented to deliver a Lecture, in aid of the above Fund, entitled "The Eastern Theatre of the War; some recollections of an ex-diplomatist," at St. Andrew's Hall, City Hall, on Friday, the 16th April, at 5.15 p.m.

His Excellency The Governor will take the Chair.

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Season tickets expiring in April can be extended to April 30th on same terms pro rata as now in force but no three monthly Season Tickets and no annual tickets will be issued in April.

Notice is further given that on and after 1st May next daily return tickets and Annual tickets will be abolished.

By order of the Directors,
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & CO.,
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Hongkong, 1st April, 1915.

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PRINCIPAL EVENTS.
June 28—Archduke Francis Ferdinand assassinated.
July 23—Austria sends an ultimatum to Servia.
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GEO. A. CALDWELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 24th March 1915.

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., Ltd.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

The Twelfth Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of the above company will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Building at Noon, on Friday, the 26th April, 1915 to receive a statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1914 and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee, and Auditor.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 13th April to 23rd April both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MON PAGUE EDE,
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Hongkong, 9th April, 1915.

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By Order of the Board,
C. MON PAGUE EDE,
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As stipulated in Art. 16 of the Loan Regulations, the 8 per cent. Military Bonds drawn at the first drawing shall be presented for payment within five years from the date of First Drawing. Any bond that is not presented for payment within the said period of five years shall become null and void.

Holders of the drawn bonds shall hand to the agencies all the unmatured interest coupons as well as the bonds, for cancellation. If they do not hand over the unmatured coupons, the value of such coupons shall be deducted from the principal due to the holders.

List of the Bond Numbers Drawn at the First Drawing of the 8 per cent. Nanking Military Bonds of Redemption.

Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers	Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers	Value of Bonds	Bond Numbers
\$1000	3-4	\$100	82-62	\$10	853-1232
1000	13-16	100	187-248	10	2753-3512
1000	35-36	100	408-462	10	6933-7812
1000	76-77	100	1248-1253	10	3503-0972
1000	86-87	100	1446-1475	10	10562-10622
1000	132-133	100	1516-1532	10	10867-10988
1000	204-205	100	1851-1664	10	11583-11598
1000	239-265	100	2038-2046	10	11965-12625
1000	324-333	100	2101-2123	10	12270-12390
1000	340-341	100	2216-2246	10	13068-13120
1000	348-353	100	2371-2400	10	13307-13867
1000	376-377	100	2461	10	13612-13794
1000	528-581	100	6001-5004	10	13978-14034
1000	8006-8603	100	5591-5513	10	14222-14404
1000	8290-8310	100	6101-6137	10	15076-15186
1000	8364-8990	100	6581-6561	10	15442-15500
1000	4093-4128	100	6555-0747	10	15101-15163
1000	4261-4262	100	7090-7013	10	19430-19490
1000	4267-4268	100	7501-7527	10	47605-47884
1000	4275-4276	100	7683-7708	10	62445-62824
1000	4275-4276	100	8001-8005	10	65866-65944
1000	4302-4303	100	8501-8580	10	69145-69582
1000	11733-11739	100	926-9348	10	249449-249478
1000	11976-12086	100	13632-11458	10	249839-249868
1000	12138-12164	100	1837-11998	10	249950-249988
1000	12346-12405	100	18278-13884	10	

Commercial.

SHARE REPORT.

COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

	S.—SELLERS	S.—SALES	P.—BUYERS	N.—NOMINAL	1914.	1914.	1915.	1915.	Last Dividend
STOCK.	Closing Prices	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	Highest	Lowest	Highest 9th Apr. to now	Lowest 9th Apr. to now	and Date
Banks.									
H'kong & Sh'hai Banking Corp.	\$800 £76/-	120,000 \$125 all	855 July	500 Oct.	800	800	{ £2: 3/- & 5/- bonus at ex 1/14 ending 31/12/14		
Marine, Insurances.									
Canton Insurance Office, Ld. 360	b. 10,000 \$250 50	350 Dec.	305	Oct.	360	360	{ Final of \$3 a/c 1912. Interim of \$18 a/c 1913.		
North China Ins. Co., Ld. ...t.175	b. 10,000 £15 £5	145 May	133 Jan.	175	175	175	{ Final of 1/2 p.c. making 25 p.c. for 1913		
Union Ins. Society of C'ton, Ld. \$905	b. 12,400 \$250 100	847 April	700 Oct.	910	905	905	{ Final of \$20 making \$50 for 1912 and Interim of \$30 for 1913		
Yangtsze Ins. Assoc. Ld.\$224	b. 12,000 \$100 60	20 April	1921 Jan.	224	224	224	{ Final of \$15 mak. \$18 for 1913 & Int. of \$3 for 1914		
Fire Insurances.									
China Fire Ins. Co., Ld.\$130	s. 20,000 \$100 20	160 July	140 Oct.	130	130	89 for 1913			
H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ld.\$375	b. 8,000 \$250 60	395 Feb.	368 April	375	373	87 for 1913			
Shipping.									
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ld. \$514	s. 30,000 \$25 all	10 Jan.	51/2 Dec.	51/2	51	\$1 for 1906			
Douglas Steamship Co., Ld. \$351	b. 20,000 \$50 all	36 Mar.	27/2 Nov.	36	35	\$3 for year ending 30/6/14			
Hongkong, C. & M. S.S. Co., Ld. 233/2	s. 80,000 \$15 all	29/4 Jan.	22 Dec.	22/2	22/2	{ Final of 40 cts. making 90 cts for year ending 31/12/14			
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ld.\$93	b. { 60,000 £5 } all	79 Jan.	50 Sept.	93	93	{ Final of 3% making 6% on pre- ferred shares & 5% on de- ferred shares for year 1913			
Shell T'port & Trading Co., Ld. 91/6	b. 3,797,610 £1 all	106 Feb.	70/ Sept.	91/6	91/6	Interim of 1/2 a/c 1914 C. No. 23			
Star Ferry Company, Ld.\$36	s. 40,000 \$10 all	9 Mar.	40 Nov.	36	36	\$1.70 per share and bonus of 30 cents per share for year ending 30/4/14			
Refineries.									
China Sugar Refining Co., Ld. \$112	s. 20,000 \$100 all	96 Feb.	70 Nov.	112	112	\$3 for 1912			
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ld. \$28	s. 7,000 \$100 all	31 Jan.	17 Dec.	28	28	\$3 for 1897			
Mining.									
Kailan Mining Admin'tion. 34/-	s. 1,000,000 £1 all	41 Feb.	33/6 Dec.	35/-	34/-	{ Final of 5% Coupon No. 4 making 10% for year end- ing 30/6/14			
Raub Australian Gold Min'- ing Co., Ld.\$4	s. 200,000 £1 all	310 Jan.	190 Nov.	41	41	1/2 for 1909			
Trough Mines Ltd.32/6	s. 160,000 £1 all	39/ Feb.	19/6 Nov.	32/6	32/6	1/- mak. 7/6 a/c. 1913			
Docks, Wharves and Godowns &c.									
H'kong & K.W. & G. Co., Ld. \$66	b. 60,000 \$50 all	89 Jan.	73 Nov.	66	66	\$3.50 for year 1914			
H'kong & W'pea D. Co., Ld.\$57	b. 50,000 \$50 all	77 Jan.	53 Oct.	57	57	\$3 dividend for year 1914			
H'kai Dock & Eng. Co., Ld.\$53	b. 55,700 t. 100 all	60 July	50 Dec.	53	53	Tls. 5 for 1913			
H'kai & H'kew W. Co., Ld.\$6	b. 35,000 t. 100 all	109 Jan.	82/4 Dec.	86	86	Tls. 5 for 1914			
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.									
Anglo-French Landst.94	b. 13,000 t. 100 t. 100	—	—	94	94	Tls. 6 1/2 for year ending 29.2.14			
H'kong Hotel Co., Ld.\$118	s. 20,000 \$50 50	128 July	120 Dec.	118	118	\$2.50 for half year ending 31/12/14			
H'kong Land Investment Co. \$110	s. 50,000 \$100 all	117/2 July	98 Nov.	110	110	\$3 for year ending 31/12/14			
H'phrey Estate & F. Co., Ld. \$61	b. 150,000 \$10 all	9/4 Jan.	7 Nov.	63	61	45 cents for year 1914			
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ld. \$40	b. 6,000 \$50 20	45/ Jan.	44 Feb.	40	40	43 for 1914			
Shanghai Landst.101	b. 78,000 t. 50 all	98 Dec.	89 Oct.	101	101	Final of 6 p.c. making 12 p.c. for 1914			
West Point Building Co., Ld. \$681	b. 12,500 \$50 all	73 June	66 Feb.	68/	68/	\$2.25 for half year ending 31.12.14			
H'kong Central Estates\$95	b. 10,000 \$100 all	—	95	95	95	\$4.09 for 7 months ending 31.12.14			
Cotton Mills.									
Two Cotton S. & W. Co., Ld. t.13	b. 20,000 t. 50 all	138 July	135 May	135	135	Tls. 12 for year ending 31/10/14			
Hongkong Cotton Co.\$61	s. 125,000 \$10 all	84/ Mar.	7 June	63/	63/	50 cents 31/7/08			
Kung Yik12/6	b. 75,000 t. 10 all	14/ Jan.	11 Mar.	12/2	12/2	Tls. 1.20 for year ending 30/11/14			
Laou Kung Mow\$5	b. 8,000 t. 100 all	110 Feb.	70 May	84	84	Tls. 12 for 1913			
Shanghai Cottonst.30	b. 40,000 t. 50 all	135 Feb.	70 Nov.	88/	86	Div. Tls. 6. Bonus Tls. 4. Extra Bonus Tls. 1. year end'g 30/6/14			
Miscellaneous.									
China Borneo Company, Ld. \$11	b. 60,000 \$12 all	12 May	10 Dec.	11/4	11	\$1.20 for 1913			
China Light & Power Co., Ld. \$41	b. 50,000 \$5 all	4.90 July	4 April	4/4	4	6% for year ending 28.2.06			
Do. (Spec. shares)\$41	b. 50,000 \$1 all	—	—	—	—				
China Prov. L. & M. Co., Ld. 73/4	b. 125,000 \$10 all	9 Jan.	7 Nov.	72	72	70 cts. for 1914			
Dairy Farm Company, Ld.\$34	b. 40,000 7/2 all	6 Jan.	35 Aug.	34	34	\$1.50 for year ending 31/7/14			
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.\$60	b. 400,000 \$10 all	6/4 Jan.	5 Dec.	6/2	6/2	50 cts. for 1914			
Hongkong Electric Co., Ld.\$40	b. 6/000 \$10 all	49 Jan.	36 Nov.	40	40	\$1.80 per share for 1913			
Hongkong Ice Company, Ld.\$100	b. 5/000 \$2 all	21/2 July	174 Dec.	190	190	Interim of \$2 a/c 1914			
Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ld.\$261	b. 6/000 \$10 all	25 June	22 Apr.	26/2	26/2	Final of \$1 making \$2 for 1914			
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ld. 5	b. 325,000 5/- all	13/2 July	7 Feb.	5.10	5	Final div. of 6d. making 7d per share for 1913			
Langkatet.361	b. 250,000 t. 10 all	64/ Mar.	28 Dec.	26/2	36	Interim of T. 1 making T. 2 a/c 1913			
Peak Tramway Co., Ld. (Old) \$10	b. 25,000 \$10 all	10/2 Jan.	9/4 June	10	10	80 cts. on fully paid shares and 8 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.14			
Do. (New) \$1	b. 50,000 \$1 all	93 cts. Jan.	75 cts. Dec.	\$1	\$1	\$1.50 for 1910.			
Philippines Ld.\$5	b. 75,000 \$10 all	—	—	5	5	None			
H. Price & Co., Ld.\$5	b. 12,000 \$10 all	—	—	5	5	\$1.50 for 1910.			
Societedes Pulpes et Papier- teries du Tonkin\$20	b. 13,200 \$50 all	—	—	20	20	None			
Steam Laundry Co., Ld.\$3/4	b. 20,000 \$5 all	5/00 June	4 Nov.	32/4	32/4	35 cts. for year ending 31/5/14			
Union Water-boat Co., Ld.\$17/2	b. 27,723 \$10 all	22/4 Feb.	17 Jan.	17/2	17/2	(\$1.00 per share for year end- ing 31.12.1914			
Watson and Co., Ld.\$7	b. 90,000 \$10 all	8/4 April	6/0 Dec.	7	7	70 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new year shares for year ending 30.6.14			
William Powell, Limited.\$61/2	b. 21,000 \$7 all	9/2 Jan.	6/2 Dec.	6/2	6/2	\$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14			
S. C. Morning Post\$29	b. 6,001 \$25 all	30 June	92 Dec.	29	29	\$1. Interim a/c year 31.8.14			

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EXCHANGE.

14th April.

T/T1/9/4	Demand India136/4	T/T France2.30	6 m's. Francs2.48
Demand1/9			

THE WAR.

(Continued from back of page 8.)
 July 31—Russia orders general mobilisation.
 Aug. 1—Germany declares war on Russia. French Cabinet orders general mobilisation.
 Aug. 2—German forces enter Luxembourg. Germany demands free passage through Belgium.
 Aug. 4—England sends ultimatum, demanding observance of Belgian neutrality. Germany rejects ultimatum. German troops attack Liege.
 Aug. 5—England announces a state of war with Germany.
 Aug. 7—Germans enter Liege. French invade southern Alsace.
 Aug. 8—Italy reaffirms neutrality.
 Aug. 15—Austrians enter Servia. Japan sends ultimatum to Germany.
 Aug. 17—British expeditionary force completes its landing in France.
 Aug. 19—Beginning of battle of Lorraine.
 Aug. 20—Germans enter Brussels.
 Aug. 23—Germans enter Namur and begin attack on Mons.
 Aug. 24—British begin retreat from Mons.
 Aug. 25—French evacuate Mülhausen.
 Aug. 26—Non-partisan French Cine Longwised. Germans Ce a d'org.
 Aug. 27—Louvain burned by Germans. Japanese blockade Tsingtau.
 Aug. 28—Battle of Holigoland.
 Sept. 2—German advance reaches Senlis, thirty miles from Paris, and swings eastward. French Government moves to Bordeaux.
 Sept. 3—Russians occupy Lemberg.
 Sept. 5—Battle of the Marne begins.
 Sept. 7—Maubeuge taken by the Germans.
 Sept. 12—German retreat halts on the Aisne.
 Sept. 20—Germans bombard Rheims and injure the famous Cathedral.
 Sept. 27—German submarine sinks British cruisers Aboukir, Cressy, and Hogue. Russians capture Jaroslav and invest Przemysl.
 Sept. 28—British troops from India land at Marselles.
 Sept. 28—Germans begin siege of Antwerp.
 Oct. 2—Germans defeated at Augustow.
 Oct. 5—Belgian Government removed from Antwerp to Ostend.
 Oct. 7—Bombardment of Antwerp begins.
 Oct. 9—Antwerp occupied by the Germans.
 Oct. 12—A Boer commando in the Cape Provinces mutinies.
 Oct. 13—Belgian Government transferred from Ostend to Havre.
 Oct. 14—Allies occupy Ypres. Battle begins on the Vistula.
 Oct. 15—Ostend occupied by the Germans.
 Oct. 16—British cruiser Hawke sunk by German submarine.
 Oct. 24—Ten days' battle before Warsaw ends in German defeat.
 Oct. 27—Russians recapture Lodz and Radom.
 Oct. 29—Turkey begins war on Russia by naval attacks on Odessa and in the Crimea.
 Oct. 30—Col. Maritz, rebel leader driven out of Cape Colony.

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MAILS DUE.

Siberia, Luchow, 16th inst.

MAILS CLOSE TO-MORROW.

Haiphong—Per LOKSANG, 15th inst. 9 a.m.

Japan via Nagasaki—Per HITACHI M., 15th inst. 9 a.m.

Holbow & Haiphong—Per HANOI, 15th inst. 10 a.m.

Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 15th inst. 10 a.m.

America & S. China—Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji, Victoria, B.C. and Seattle, United Kingdom via Canada, (Europe via Siberia) & Per YOKOHAMA MARU, 15th April, 11 a.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Service: Shanghai Br. P.O. Tuesday 20th inst.)

Straits, Ceylon, India via Bombay—Per IVO MARU, 15th 11 a.m.

Tientsin—Per HUTCHOW, 15th 11 a.m.

Subsidy Mail—Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per LIANGHOU, 15th inst. 3 p.m.

[Tientsin-Pukow Service: Shanghai Br. P.O. Tuesday, the 26th April.]

FRIDAY 16th April.

Swatow, Amoy, Formosa via Anping & Takao—Per BOSHU MARU, 16th April 9 a.m.

Philippines Islands, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, and New Guinea via Thursday Is.—Per NIKKO MARU, 16th April 3 p.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAITAN, 16th inst. noon.

Shanghai & N. China—Per CHOYSANG, 16th inst. 4 p.m.

Acan & Canadian Mail—Kuchinotzu, Japan, via Moji, Victoria and Seattle, Vancouver, U. Kingdom via Canada—Per TALYEBIUS, 16th inst. 11 a.m.

Jan. 24—British naval victory in North Sea: the Blucher sunk.

Jan. 26—Germans lose two battalions at Givenoy and Cuinchy.

Feb. 3—German destroyer sunk by Russian submarine off Denmark. German auxiliary cruiser sunk off Patagonia.

SATURDAY, 17th April.

Holbow & Pakhoi—Per WENCHOW, 17th 9 a.m.

Philippine Is.—Per YUENSANG, 17th inst. 2 p.m.

Straits, Burma, India via Calcutta—Per HAKATA M., 17th inst. 4 p.m.

Siberian Mail—Shanghai, and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per KANCHOW, 17th April 3 p.m.

(Tientsin-Pukow Service: Shanghai Br. P.O. Wednesday, 21st inst.)

Wei-hai-wei & Tientsin—Per CHEONG-SHING, 17th April, 4 p.m.

Shanghai & N. China—Per KWONG-SANG, 17th 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, 18th April.

Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Tamsui —For DAIJIN M., 18th inst. 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 19th April.

Austra- Mail—Timor, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, via Port Darwin, & New Guinea via Thursday Is.—For EMPIRE, 19th April, 2 p.m.

Japan via Yokohama—For LAHSANG, 19th April, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, 20th April.

Philippines Islands—For CHINHUA, inst. 8 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Taiwan Maru, Jap. ss. 1,145, H. Sakai, 13th Inst.—Saigon, 9th Inst. Rice—D. & Co.

Nish Maru, Jap. ss. 1,479, Yutakano, 13th Inst.—Bangkok, 4th Inst. Rice—Chinese.

Hannental, Am. ss. 1,711, J. Lennox, 13th Inst.—Saigon, 8th Inst. Rice—Chinese.

Kwangyang, Br. ss. 1,428, W. F. Richard, 13th Inst.—Saigon, 8th Inst. Rice—J. M. & Co.

Anhui, Br. ss. 1,353, Eddy, 14th Inst.—Canton, Gen.—B. & S.

Tungshing, British ss. 1,173, Hussey, 14th Inst.—Canton, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Chingshing, Br. ss. 1,199, Mayrick, 14th Inst.—Canton, Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Haimun, Br. ss. 641, Stewart, 14th Inst.—Swatow, 13th Inst. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Kaijo Maru, Jap. ss. 1,539, Imaizumi, 14th Inst.—Haiphong, 12th Inst. Gen.—O.S.K.

Hongbee, Br. ss. 2,065, Egdom, 14th Inst.—Singapore, 8th Inst. General—Chinese.

Prometheus, Norw. ss. 1,024, N. Jensen, 14th Inst.—Bangkok, 6th instant. Rice—Order.

DEPARTED.

April 13.

Tenyo Maru for San Francisco via Spore.

Liangchow for Canton.

Kwangtung for Shanghai.

Chongtu for Swatow via Bangkok.

Anhui for Shanghai.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

April 13.

Chongya for K. C. Wan.

Boyard for Haiphong via Holbow.

Tean for Illovia Manila.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

For s.s. Kwangyang from Saigon—Mr. Butler.

For s.s. Prometheus from Bangkok—Mr. and Miss Lyle.

PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

For P. & O. ss. Nagoya, from London March 20.—Mr. D. Murray, Mrs. Hunter, Mr. & Mrs. A. R. Taylor and 2 children, Mr. & Mrs. Please and child, Mr. S. Logue, Mr. H. Phillips, Mr. M. Murphy, Mr. Raynor, Mr. N. Kennedy, Mr. M. Costello, Mrs. J. F. Cooke & party, Mrs. E. J. Piet & Mr. N. P. Johnson.

For P. & O. ss. Mooltan, from London March 20.—Mr. J. O. Oswald, Mr. A. E. Martin, Mr. & Mrs. F. O'Kell, Miss Orr & Mr. Hooper.

For P. & O. ss. Egypt, from London April 17.—Mr. A. H. Compton and Mr. J. Poulsen.

For N. Y. K. ss. Fusabini Maru, from London March 13.—Miss Duclie, Miss Pettitt, Mr. & Mrs. A. W. Heron and two children, Mrs. Tucker, Mrs. Hall, Mr. J. Multhead, Mr. G. Hall, Mr. & Mrs. Souza de Macado, Mrs. Josepha and Mr. Connolly.

For N. Y. K. ss. Hirano Maru, from London March 27.—Dr. W. Burke.

For N. Y. K. ss. Eatori Maru, from London April 10.—Mr. W. Sloan and Mr. Sloan.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, April 14.

1. Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2. Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3. Humidity, in percentage of saturation of air.

4. Direction of Wind, to two points.

5. Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, o detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hall, l lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On date On date

At p.m. at 6 a.m. at p.m.

Barometer 30.01 30.00 29.97

Temperature 82 74 81

Humidity 75 92 74

Wind Direction 8 SE 8

Force 1 1 2

Weather 0 bf 0

Rain — — —

Highest open air Temperature on the 13th 81

Lowest " " " 75

H.K. Observatory, 14th April.

O. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

12th Apr. to 18th Apr. 1915.

High Water Mean High Water Mean

Low Water Mean Low Water Mean

Mo. 18 m. 8 15 8 15

Tues. 19 m. 8 25 8 25

Wed. 20 m. 9 34 9 34

Thurs. 21 m. 10 43 10 43

Fri. 22 m. 11 52 11 52

Sat. 23 m. 12 59 12 59

Sun. 24 m. 1 18 1 18

Mon. 25 m. 2 27 2 27

Tues. 26 m. 3 36 3 36

Wed. 27 m. 4 45 4 45

Thurs. 28 m. 5 54 5 54

Fri. 29 m. 6 63 6 63

Sat. 30 m. 7 72 7 72

Sun. 31 m. 8 81 8 81

Mon. 1 m. 9 90 9 90